

10. How do you generate detailed reports in Nessus?

Generating Detailed Reports in Nessus

Nessus provides comprehensive reporting features that allow you to analyze scan results and generate detailed reports. Here's how you can create, customize, and export detailed reports in Nessus. 🚀

1. Accessing Scan Reports

1 Log into Nessus

- Open your browser and navigate to your **Nessus web interface**.
- Enter your **username and password** to log in.

2 Navigate to the Scans Page

- Click on "**Scans**" in the left sidebar.
 - Select the **completed scan** you want to generate a report for.
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2. Viewing Scan Results

Once inside a completed scan:

- The "**Results**" tab displays **all detected vulnerabilities**.
 - Click on any **vulnerability name** to get **detailed information**, including:
 - CVSS score
 - Affected hosts
 - Exploitability details
 - Mitigation recommendations
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3. Generating a Detailed Report

Step 1: Customize Report Settings

1 Click on "**Export**" (top-right corner).

2 Choose the **report format**:

- **PDF** – Good for official documentation.
- **CSV** – Useful for analysis in Excel.

- **HTML** – For web-based viewing.
- **Nessus format** – Raw data for importing into another Nessus instance.



3 Customize report details:

- **Include Vulnerability Details** – Shows descriptions, CVSS scores, and fixes.
- **Group by Plugin/Host** – Sort vulnerabilities **by affected hosts or plugin ID**.
- **Filter by Severity** – Include **only Critical/High risks** if needed.

Step 2: Schedule Automated Reports

- 1 Click on "**Schedule**" when setting up a scan.
- 2 Set up **recurring reports** (daily, weekly, or monthly).
- 3 Choose **email notifications** to send reports automatically.

4. Analyzing the Report

- **Critical & High Vulnerabilities** → Immediate attention 
- **Medium & Low Vulnerabilities** → Plan for remediation 
- **False Positives?** → Manually verify and exclude

Final Thoughts

- ✓ Use **detailed reports** for vulnerability assessments.
- ✓ Customize **filters & formats** for clarity.
- ✓ Schedule reports for **continuous monitoring**.